



## Question Tags



Question tags are short questions at the end of statements. They are used to confirm an information or to get a reply from the person we asked the questions.

Formed with the auxiliary or modal verb from the statement and the subject.

A **positive statement** is followed by a **negative question tag**.

Examples:

- He **has** been missing for ten days, **hasn't** he?
- We **are** going to the police station, **aren't** we?

A **negative statement** is followed by a **positive question tag**.

Examples:

- The boys **aren't** responsible for the crime, **are** they?
- He **shouldn't** rob the bank, **should** he?

When the verb in the main sentence is in the present simple, we form the question tag with “do/does”.

Examples:

- You are hiding something, **don't** you?
- Alia likes to read mystery books, **doesn't** she?

If the verb is in the past simple, we use “did”.

Examples:

- The man **was** lying the whole time, **didn't** he?
- Betty and Nina **were not** behind this, **did** they?

When the statement contains a word with a **negative meaning**, the **question tag** needs to be **positive**.

Examples:

- He hardly ever talks, **does** he?
- They rarely watch the television, **do** they?

Using the verb “to be” in present	Question tags
I am guilty,	aren't I?
You are guilty,	aren't you?
He is guilty,	isn't he?
She is guilty,	isn't she?
It is guilty,	isn't it?
We are guilty,	aren't we?
They are guilty,	aren't they?